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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Norio TANAKA et al.

Application No.: New U.S. National Phase of PCT/JP2005/002964

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Docket No.: 128728

For: OPTICALLY CONTROLLED OPTICAL-PATH-SWITCHING APPARATUS, AND  
METHOD OF SWITCHING OPTICAL PATHS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**